

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF HOME INSPECTORS
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
February 18, 2016**

A special Board meeting of the Kentucky Board of Home Inspectors was held at the Office of Occupations and Professions in Frankfort, KY on February 18, 2016.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mark G. Oerther, Chairman
Robert P. Johnson, Vice Chairman
Mitch D. Buchanan
James A. Chandler
Ken Fister

MEMBERS ABSENT

Welford "Bud" Wenk
Edward "Neal" Tong
Mariah Gratz, Citizen at Large

OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS STAFF

Robin Vick, Administrative Section Supervisor
Susan Ellis, Operation Section Supervisor
Gail Russell, Deputy Secretary, Public Protection Cabinet

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Brian Judy, Office of the Attorney General

GUESTS

Steve Keeney

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Oerther called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Amending KRS 198B.704

The Board discussed with Deputy Secretary Russell the Board's reasoning behind feeling misplaced and wanting to leave Occupations and Professions and go to Department of Housing, Building and Construction. The Board expressed their concern for safety of the public with unlicensed home inspectors who are not being able to be taken off the street due to not having investigators who can investigate those cases, unlike when they were at DHBC.

Deputy Secretary Russell reported to the Board that DHBC would like to see KBHI stay with Occupations and Professions. DHBC advised Deputy Secretary Russell that having KBHI join them would be more expensive for KBHI due to having to include administrative services, management oversight, printing and additional cost that may have not been included when KBHI was previously at DHBC. Deputy Secretary Russell also expressed that the difference between KBHI and the committees at DHBC being that KBHI are privately employed by home owners and home inspectors are not a legislative regulatory duty. Deputy Secretary Russell explained that the discussion is still open for the Board to get their points together for persuasion to DHBC.

Mr. Judy advised that the Board could look into doing a Memorandum of Agreement with Department of Housing, Building and Construction's investigators. Deputy Secretary Russell stated that she would look into the option of a MOA for the investigators at DHBC and discuss it with Secretary Dickerson and Commissioner Milby, Mr. Judy will follow up with Deputy Secretary Russell and report back to the Board.

The Board will discuss at the March meeting on how to reach out to DHBC in regards to an MOA for an investigator, making a plan on how to approach DHBC and schedule a meeting with Commissioner Milby to discuss what services they would receive at DHBC and if they have staffing, room availability and what the budget would be for being at DHBC.

TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

Mr. Chandler made a motion to approve the travel and per diem for members attending today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Mr. Buchanan, and carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ken Fister made a motion to adjourn at 10:15 a.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chandler and carried.

Minutes prepared by Robin Vick on February 22, 2016.